

Dear Representative Pelosi,

I am writing today on behalf of the Dogpatch Neighborhood Association Board to express our strong support for the Appropriations Community Projects request submitted by the YMCA of San Francisco for the "Crane Cove YMCA Community Center."

Founded in 1853, the YMCA of San Francisco has a rich history of building community through its Youth Development, Healthy Living, and Social Responsibility programs and believes in nurturing the potential of every child and teen.

The Y creates safe, structured environments that allow young people to become their best selves. Working together with local neighborhoods, the Y helps to move individuals, families, and communities forward.

In the past ten years, through rezoning and a subsequent development boom, the population of Dogpatch has quintupled. However, the benefits of this boom have not been equitably distributed and in some ways has reinforced inequality in the area. The development of the Crane Cove YMCA Community Center would help to alleviate some of these inequalities by providing services to all members of our community regardless of age, education, ethnicity, or sexual orientation.

Our community is resilient and supports partners like the Y who work to help improve education and health outcomes. Through the revitalization of public space committed to a vibrant waterfront, environmental stewardship, and civic engagement the YMCA will offer these partnered services available to all and bring to fruition a safe healthy neighborhood with equitable access to resources – nature, education, and wellness – to help nurture a thriving community.

The YMCA of San Francisco is a trusted partner and proven leader in community building in San Francisco and the region. This project, executed in partnership with the Port of San Francisco and local businesses, will bring much needed new services and spaces to Dogpatch.

We appreciate your support of this initiative and strongly urge you to extend appropriations to the Y for this project.

Thank you,

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VIA EMAIL

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Re: YMCA of San Francisco Crane Cove YMCA Community Center

Speaker Pelosi,

I am pleased to submit this letter of support for the "Crane Cove YMCA Community Center."

For the past six years, my team and I have been developing Power Station, a real estate development project that is recycling a former power plant in the Dogpatch neighborhood of San Francisco and reopening this part of waterfront to the public for the first time since Abraham Lincoln was president. At full build-out, the project will deliver approximately 2600 homes, including hundreds of affordable ones, seven acres of parks, a robust network of sidewalks, bike lanes and streets, and community spaces. With our partners in organized labor, we have been advancing the project through COVID and now as part of San Francisco's recovery.

We are delighted to have found a like-minded community partner in the Y. Over the past couple of years, we've provided pro-bono project support to help transform Building 49, a historic shed down the street from Power Station, into the Crane Cove YMCA Community Center. When complete, the space will not only provide wellness programming, but also much needed access and exposure to water sports for youth and families in District 10 who have not historically had access to water activities despite being in such close proximity to the Bay. Like the Y, our team is committed investing in neighborhoods that have been historically underserved compared to others in San Francisco.

The Y is a proven leader in San Francisco and the Bay Area. Founded in 1853, the YMCA of San Francisco operates under a rich history of strengthening the foundations of communities through Youth Development, Healthy Living, and Social Responsibility. The Dogpatch neighborhood has grown significantly over the last ten years and the Y is well positioned to ensure equitable access to new resources like outdoor space, education programs and health and wellness facilities. The Crane Cove YMCA Community Center project, executed in partnership with the Port of San Francisco and local businesses, will both revitalize the public waterfront and foster environmental stewardship and civic engagement.

It is an honor to support the Y and count on the organization as a trusted community partner. This letter serves as my unwavering support of the Crane Cove YMCA Community Center, and I sincerely hope you approve this application for funding.

Thank you for your consideration and all you do for our community,

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